Chapter 67. Care of Cemeteries by Counties

IC 23-14-67-1

Application of chapter

23-14-67-1 Sec. 1. This chapter applies to cemeteries that:

- (1) are without funds or sources of funds for reasonable maintenance:
- (2) have suffered neglect and deterioration;
- (3) may be the burial grounds for Indiana pioneer leaders or veterans of an American war, including the Revolutionary War; and
- (4) were established before 1850.

As added by P.L.52-1997, SEC.41.

IC 23-14-67-2

County cemetery commission

23-14-67-2 Sec. 2. (a) The board of commissioners of a county may appoint a county cemetery commission consisting of five (5) residents of the county.

(b) The members of a county cemetery commission shall be appointed for a term of five (5) years. The board of county commissioners shall stagger the terms of the members to permit the appointment or a reappointment of one (1) commission member per year.

As added by P.L.52-1997, SEC.41.

IC 23-14-67-3

Annual tax for restoration and maintenance

23-14-67-3 Sec. 3. A county cemetery commission may request the levy of an annual tax for the purpose of restoring and maintaining one (1) or more cemeteries described in section 1 of this chapter that are located in the county. The tax may not exceed fifty cents (\$0.50) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation of property in the county.

As added by P.L.52-1997, SEC.41.

IC 23-14-67-3.5

Annual reports filed with Indiana historical bureau

23-14-67-3.5 Sec. 3.5. (a) Before March 1 of each year, a county cemetery commission shall file an annual report with the Indiana historical bureau established by IC 4-23-7-3.

- (b) An annual report filed under this section must include information on the following:
 - (1) The budget of the county cemetery commission for the preceding calendar year.
 - (2) Expenditures made by the county cemetery commission during the preceding calendar year.
 - (3) Activities of the county cemetery commission during the preceding calendar year.

- (4) Plans of the county cemetery commission for the calendar year during which the report is filed.
- (c) The Indiana historical bureau shall make reports filed under this section available for public inspection under IC 5-14-3. *As added by P.L.2-1998, SEC.64*.

IC 23-14-67-4

Annual budget and annual report

- 23-14-67-4 Sec. 4. A county cemetery commission established under this chapter shall:
 - (1) present an annual plan and budget; and
 - (2) make an annual report;

to the board of county commissioners and the county council for approval.

As added by P.L.52-1997, SEC.41.